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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
HITOSHI SUGIMOTO, ET AL.) : Examiner: C. Hallacher
Appln. No.: 08/811,234) : Group Art Unit: 2853
Filed: March 3, 1997) :
For: INK-JET RECORDING) :
APPARATUS AND INK-JET) :
RECORDING METHOD USING) :
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DENSITIES, AND RECORDED) July 11, 2001
ARTICLES) :

Director, The Commissioner for Patents
BOX AF
Washington, D.C. 20231

PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)

Sir:

Applicants petition the Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated January 11, 2001, for three (3) months from April 11, 2001, to July 11, 2001.

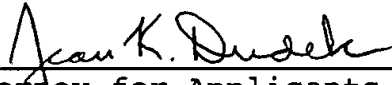
Submitted herewith is a check for \$ 890.00 to cover the fee for the extension under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17. Any deficiency in or overpayment of this fee should be charged or

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Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should be directed to our address listed below.

Respectfully submitted,



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